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CLAIMS

1. An ophthalmic solution with viscosity enhancing and detergent properties for contact lenses, comprising one or more physiologically acceptable viscosity enhancing agents in aqueous solution having a non-Newtonian rheological behaviour, and one or more physiologically acceptable non-ionic surfactants, wherein the viscosity enhancing agent is hyaluronic acid, or its salts with alkali or alkaline earth metals, and the non-ionic surfactant is poloxamer.

2. An ophthalmic solution according to claim 1, further comprising one or more tonicity adjusting agents.

3. An ophthalmic solution according to claim 1 or 2, further comprising one or more buffers.

4. An ophthalmic solution according to any one of the preceding claims, comprising from 0.005% to 0.50% in weight of sodium hyaluronate and from 0.010% to 2.0% in weight of poloxamer 407.

5. An ophthalmic solution according to claim 4, containing the following ingredients in the quantities shown (weight percentages):

sodium hyaluronate	0.005-0.50	%
poloxamer 407	0.010-2.0	%
sodium chloride	0.10-0.90	%
dibasic sodium phosphate 12 H ₂ O	0.010-0.10	%
phosphoric acid	q.s. to pH=7.3	
bidistilled water	q.s. to 100	%

6. Use of an ophthalmic solution comprising one or more physiologically

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9. Use according to claim 8, wherein said ophthalmic solution comprises from 0.005% to 0.50% in weight of sodium hyaluronate and from 0.010% to 2.0% in weight of poloxamer.

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